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MEMORANDUM	FOR:		STA			
FROM	:	David D. Gries National Intelligence Officer for East Asia				
SUBJECT	:	NEWSMEN Meeting with Louis Kraar Fortune Board of Editors				

- 1. Further to my conversation with you last week I meet Louis Kraar on Monday as planned and discussed with him political and economic trends in Japan, Singapore and the Philippines. Although I explained that I was NIO for East Asia, CIA was not discussed. Kraar is well informed on Japan and allies himself with the majority of pundits who foresee growing Japanese competitiveness in key high technology fields. He thinks the Japanese will solve future problems of aging labor force, growing protectionism, declining basic industries and slow internationalization of the yen in the same successful fashion that they adopted to solve the energy crises of the 1970s.
- 2. If I plan to see Kraar again, I will notify you in advance. He invited me to contact him when convenient in New York.

David D. Gries

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